

2013
Kinship Navigator and Collaboration Coordinator RFI
The last day to ask questions is March 13, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Questions from Information Session on February 14, 2013 (Posted February 26, 2013)			
Question #	Date Received	Question	Response
1.	2/14/13	Are the RFI funds currently contracted out to another agency or are these funds “new” money?	These funds are currently contracted out to Catholic Community Services. The funds are not new money; however, the current RFI has combined the funds for the Kinship Care Navigator and the Kinship Collaboration Coordinator into one Request for Investment (RFI).
2.	2/14/13	How can we get in touch with the current Kinship Coordinator to refer families needing assistance?	The current Kinship Collaboration Coordinator is Gerri Freeman and she can be reached at gerrib@ccsww.org . However, it is best to direct these families to the Kinship Navigator program at (206) 328-5787 or kinshipprogram@ccsww.org . Additional information on both current programs is available at: http://www.ccsww.org/site/PageServer?pagename=families_kinshipservices
3.	2/14/13	Does the RFI limit the salary that the selected agency must pay the Kinship Navigator and the Kinship Collaboration Coordinator?	No, there are no limits to the salary that the agency can pay the staff. There is a limit to the amount provided for these positions from funding in this RFI. If the applicant agency intends to add its own funds to the program, it should be clearly delineated and explained in the budget submitted with their application.
4.	2/14/13	Who oversees the dispersion of the Supplemental Funds?	The \$186,000 currently available in Supplemental Funds is overseen and administered by Aging & Disability Services Division (ADS) of Seattle Human Services Department. The Kinship Navigator starts the process by identifying potential recipients and helping to submit the request.
5.	2/14/13	Were the contracts for the Kinship Navigator and Kinship Collaboration Navigator previously administered by ADS?	An agency, Senior Services, had the contracts originally. This current RFI is the first one for this service area in King County.

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6.	2/14/13	Can you provide more details about the cultural competence requirements described in the Rating Guidelines?	This requirement is related to the targeted populations the Kinship staff is expected to try to serve, including low-income caregivers, caregivers from communities of color, immigrants and refugees, and informal caregivers. Applicants should review the RFI Guidelines: Section V. B. Data on Kinship Caregivers in King County.
7.	2/14/13	How do agencies distribute the Supplemental Funds? Which agencies do this?	The funds are distributed by ADS and can be accessed by the Kinship Navigator, Neighborhood House, Renton Area Youth & Family Services and Encompass. ADS staff manage the funds to ensure funds are available before the contract expires in June 2014. There is a \$1,500 limit per kinship caregiver and this amount may be reduced to \$1,000 in the future to provide assistance to more families.